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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: SSCI Personnel Review Team Meeting with  
Messrs. [ ] of the  
Office of Security Clearance Group [ ]

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1. Messrs. Gary Moore, SSCI staffer, and Tom Schultz, GAO detailee to the SSCI personnel review team, were briefed by Messrs. [ ], Chief, Clearance Group, and [ ] Chief, Clearance Division, of the Office of Security (OS). Also attending the session [ ] were [ ] Deputy Director of Personnel for Policy, Analysis and Evaluation, and [ ] OCA/Senate Affairs. [ ]

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2. [ ] explained the functions of the Clearance Group, which consists of Clearance Division, Security Records Division and Special Security Center. The clearance process-- from when a request is received from the Office of Personnel (OP) until an applicant is approved/disapproved-- was explained in detail. [ ]

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3. [ ] said that the polygraph results fall into one of four categories: I--No reportable information; II--Minor noteworthy or derogatory information but acceptable; III--Problems but results could go either way; and IV--Not going to be approved. When an individual is a Category I or II, the responsible officer has 24 hours to get the approval papers to OP. Because of the large amount of overtime required for the paperwork needed in Category IV cases, a twice weekly adjudication panel has been instituted in the last six months in an effort to reduce overtime. Now the desk officer presents the case orally to three experienced officers--Messrs. [ ] [ ] Deputy Director for Personnel Security.

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The same number of officers still review the case, but instead of individually writing their comments, the adjudication is done orally at the meeting. Category IVs are adjudicated by experienced officers because the disapproval cases cause the most trouble and a security disapproval can affect a person's whole career. [ ]

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4. In the last two months an attempt has been made to schedule up-front polygraphs. The background investigation is

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